

Math Inspection: Rectangles, Arrays, Area, and the Distributive Property

One way to show multiplication is with a **rectangular array**.

1. Look at this example:



a. Explain in words what you see happening.

b. Explain in mathematical symbols what is happening.

- **2.** Below is an 8×9 array.
 - **a.** Break it up into a new multiplication problem.



b. Explain in words what you see happening.

c. Explain using mathematical symbols what is happening.

- **3.** Below is a 5×12 array.
 - **a.** Break it up into a new multiplication problem.

b. Explain in words what you see happening.

c. Explain using mathematical symbols what is happening.

4. Fill in the missing numbers below.

a.
$$6 \times 7 = 6 \times 4 + 6 \times$$

b. $9 \times 8 =$ _____ $\times 8 + 4 \times 8$
c. _____ $\times 7 = 2 \times 7 + 5 \times 7$
d. $6 \times 7 = 5 \times 7 +$ _____ $\times 7$
e. $7 \times$ _____ $= 5 \times 6 + 2 \times 6$
f. $9 \times 9 = 5 \times 9 +$ _____ $\times 9$
g. $8 \times 7 =$ _____ $\times 7 + 5 \times 7$